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FIELD NOTEBOOK 2080  
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Purpose

- o Serves to document onsite activities and be understandable to an outside reader.
- o Provides the basis for later written reports.
- o Used as an evidentiary document and may be used in legal proceedings.

Distribution

- n Controlled by the project manager and distributed as appropriate to personnel designated by the project manager.

General Procedures

- o Record information in language which is objective and factual.
- o Use ink. Waterproof ink is recommended.
- o Leave first two pages blank. They serve as space for the table of contents to be added when the log book is complete.
- o The first written page identifies the date, time, TDD number, site name, location, NUS personnel and their responsibilities, other non-NUS personnel and observed weather conditions.
- o Start on a new page at the start of each day's field activities. This page should identify date, time, TDD number, site name and location, NUS personnel and their responsibilities, other non-NUS personnel and observed weather conditions.
- o List all persons leaving or entering the site.
- o Information recorded in the log book should be in chronological order.
- o Sign and date each page, log all entries using a 24 hour clock. Entries should be time logged every 15 to 30 minutes.
- o Corrections are to be lined through and initialed. No erroneous notes are to be made illegible.
- o Include a sketch or map of the site which can be used to locate photo or sample locations. Note landmarks, indicate north, and if possible include an approximate scale. Include as many sketches and maps as necessary.

- o A person not present when field activities were being documented should read each completed page, and countersign and date when satisfied that the written notes are understandable.

#### Specific Field Activities To Be Documented

- o Record the who, what and where of field activities.
- o Indicate sampling and photo locations on a site sketch or map.
- o As part of the chain of custody procedure, recorded in-situ sampling information must include sample number, date, time, sampling personnel, sample type, designation of sample as a grab or composite, and any preservative used.
- o Information for in-situ measurements must include a sample ID number, the date, time, and personnel taking measurements. Pertinent in-situ measurements include but are not limited to pH, temperature, conductivity, flow measurements, continuous air monitoring measurements, and stack gas analysis. If infield calculations are necessary they must be checked and signed by a second team member.
- o Create a photo log to document photos taken in the field. These must include date, time, photographer, sample number, roll number, frame number, photo ID number and description. Indicate if the film is for slides or prints in the column for roll number. Photo ID numbers can be added at the time the photo log is assembled.
- o Record onsite health and safety measures used. Describe observed potential hazards to health and safety. Document the level of protection used, decontamination procedure used and specific decontamination solutions.
- o When sampling is complete, a summary log is to be completed. It must include date, time, sample number, description, field book reference page, and the number and date of the chain of custody from on which the sample is listed. Indicate whether or not the sample was split.
- o Record details regarding relevant information obtained during onsite interviews. Include names of persons interviewed, the interest group represented, their address and phone number.
- o Record any other relevant information which would be difficult to generate at a later date.

Date 9/7/84

Reviewed/Approved

5/7/86

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930 New Personnel arrive at location

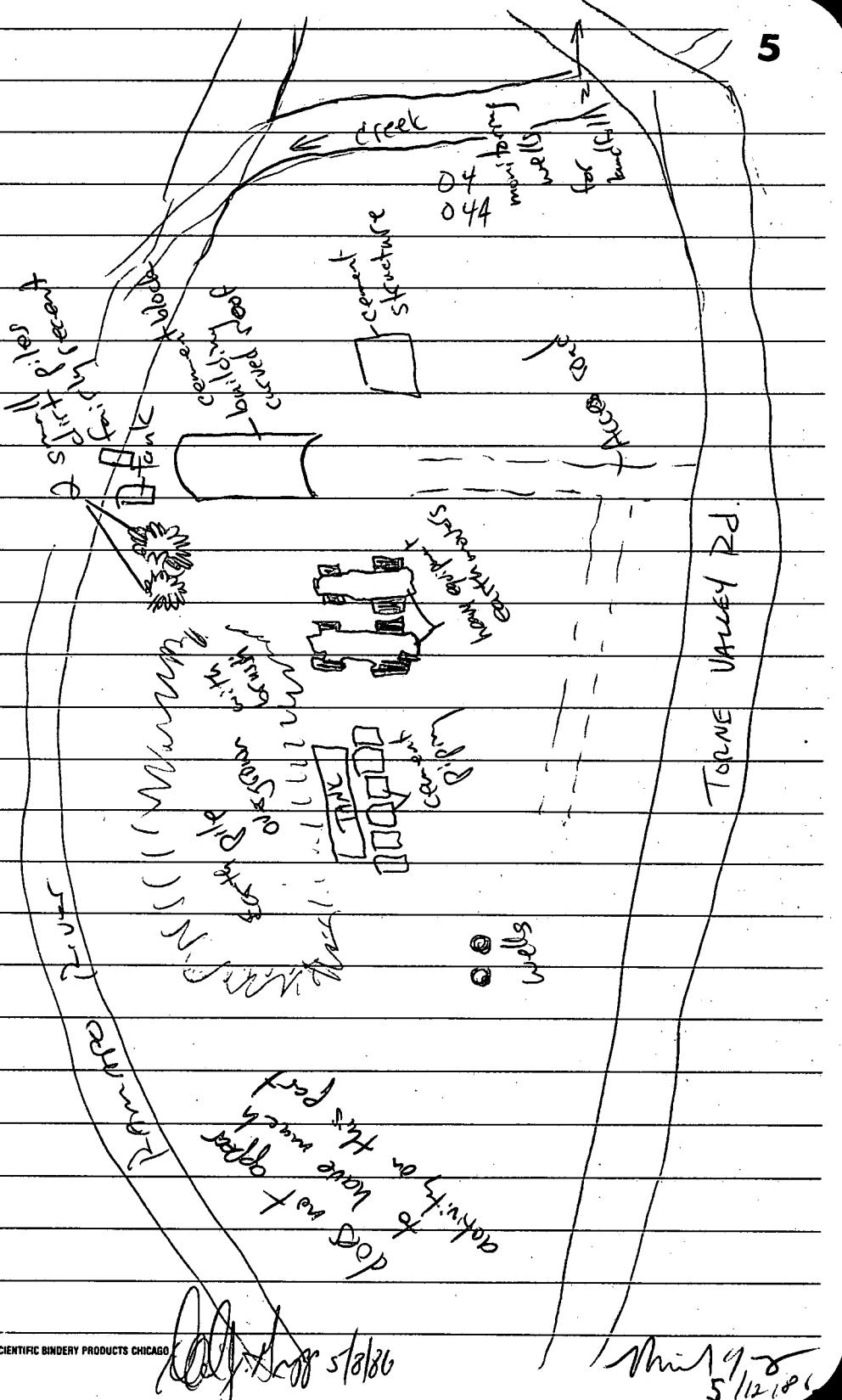
Dave Grupp & Mike Tandy.

Site is located on Torne Valley Road.

on left side as you are driving north. Ramaro  
Landfill is located just north of the site on  
right side of the road. The site is mounded  
in several areas and overgrown with brush  
and grasses. Primary succession. Several pieces of  
heavy earth moving equipment are on site  
along with other debris including large cement  
piping & wood material.

1000 - No evidence of drums on site as noted  
in background file. Several discarded metallic  
tanks are on site. Most recent activity appears  
to be near the on site cement block building.  
No activity was observed while near the site.  
Several monitoring wells are on site. Two  
near north border one near the middle  
and two additional ones towards the south.  
These are for monitoring the landfill  
wells are not secured.

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1018 potential sample locations would be auger samples from the large overgrown dirt pile in the middle of the site and recent surface soil samples near building where ~~recently~~ activity appears to be taking place. Small creek enters the property at the north from the landfill area, eventually flows into the Ramapo River. Residential housing is approximately  $\frac{1}{4}$  mile west of the site.

1033 Opening to Ramapo River just down the road from the site. River is flowing very swiftly. no evidence of debris on the banks of the site as far as we could see, which was not very far. One Kendall ~~wast~~ oil drum was noted on bank of river approximately  $\frac{1}{4}$  mile from the site. (downstream)

1046 Left Ramapo Land Company.

Site is unfenced, easy access.

Directions - Route 59 west to Torne Valley Road (BAGEL BALCONY on right) make right. RAMAPO LAND Company on left about  $\frac{1}{2}$  mile up the road.

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West NYACK Site.

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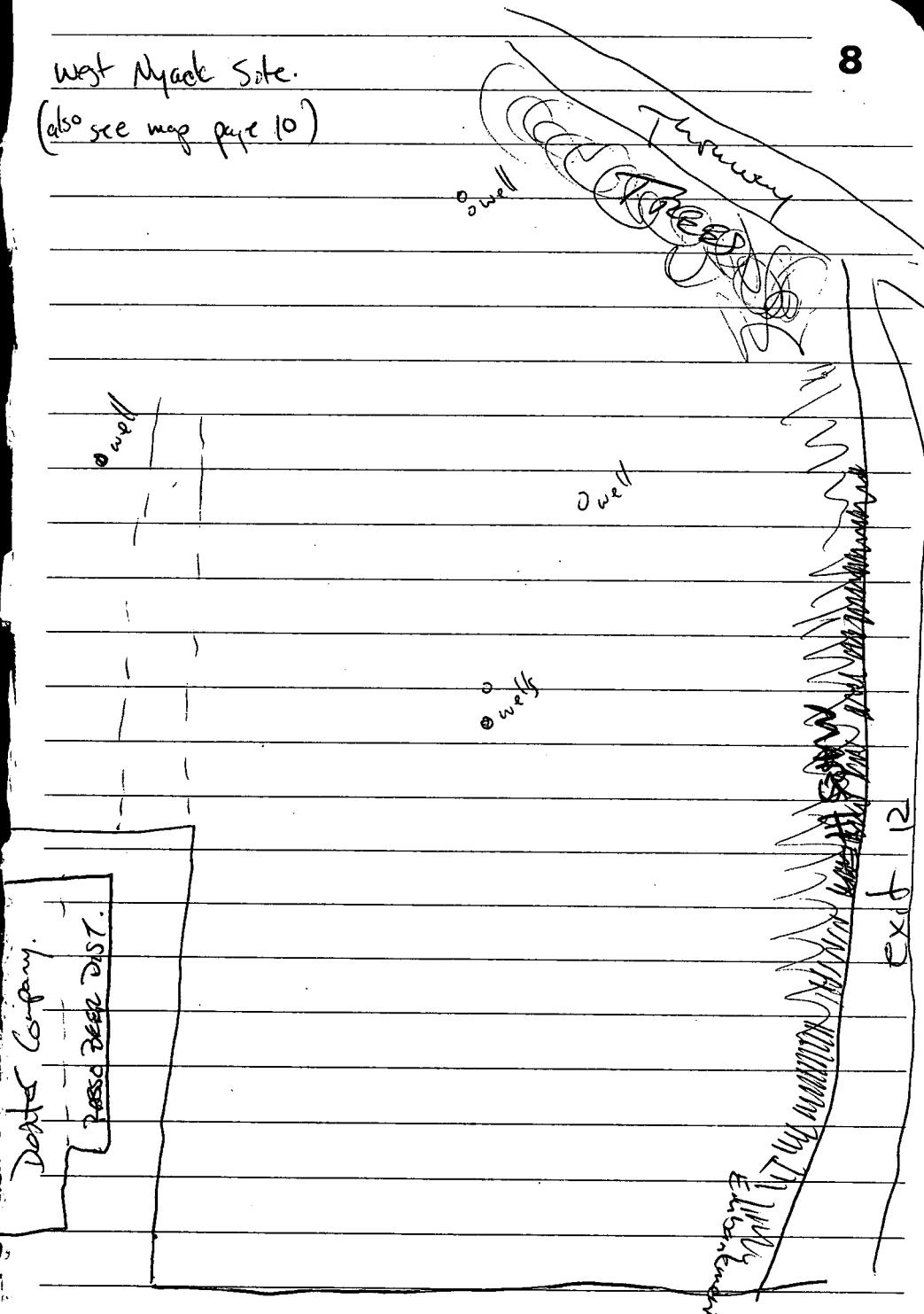
11:45 Arrive near the site. Initial recon. is from exit 12 south off of New York State Thruway. The site borders the exit. Marshland from exit to dubious fill area approximately 30yds marsh. Monitoring wells are being drilled into fill area - at least 4 different well sites are evident. Fill area is quite large measuring several acres. Fill area consists of mostly grass, very little brush. No evidence of recent dumping activity.

1204 - Reconning from Route #303. It appears the property comes right out to #303. Not much can be seen. Site is flat. Vegetation consisting of grasses, some low brush

1215 ARRIVE around to western portion of site.

Access can be gained off of route 59 - Dexter Ave. is the name of the access Road. Area here is overgrown with trees about 10-15 years in age also very marshy. No evidence of fill in this area. One well cluster is noted as well as a drum storage area (snowfence) containing yellow waste drums and crushed discarded ~~discarded~~ (D) discarded drums.

West Nyack Sote.  
(also see map page 10)



1232 - Western portion of site can be seen from parkay lot of Janet Hogan Diner on route 59. It is difficult to try and determine sample locations without going on site. Commercial businesses <sup>border</sup> ~~border~~ the site on Routes 303 & 59. It appears as if ~~general~~ type activities are taking place on site. Several recently drilled well sites are readily apparent around the site. The creek going through the site is coming from Route 59 area and is most likely coming from the Clarkstown Landfill area. Water is very scuzzy looking with out much flow.

1240 Left West Nyack site.

Note: Drums ~~on~~ on-site are waste drums from the drilling of the monitoring wells on site. There was no evidence of any other drums other than crushed discarded drums in the snow fence area.

Directions to site: NY Thruway to Exit 12 south.

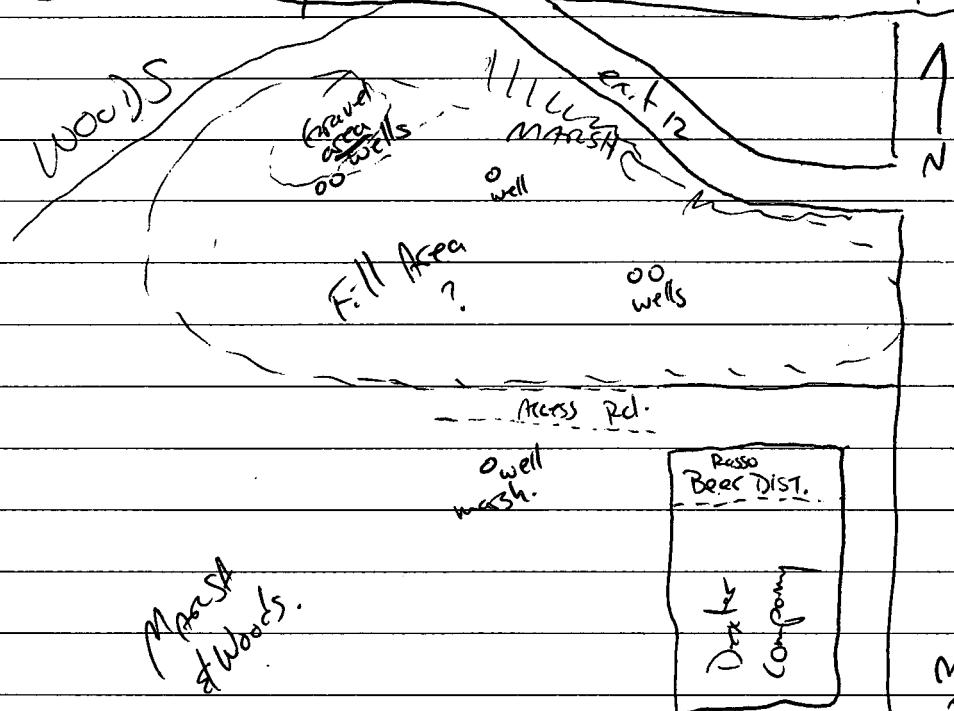
Route 303 south - 303 to 59 west to Dexter Ave - a small dirt road next to Janet Hogan

Diner. Access may also be gained on RT 303 behind Beer Distributor.

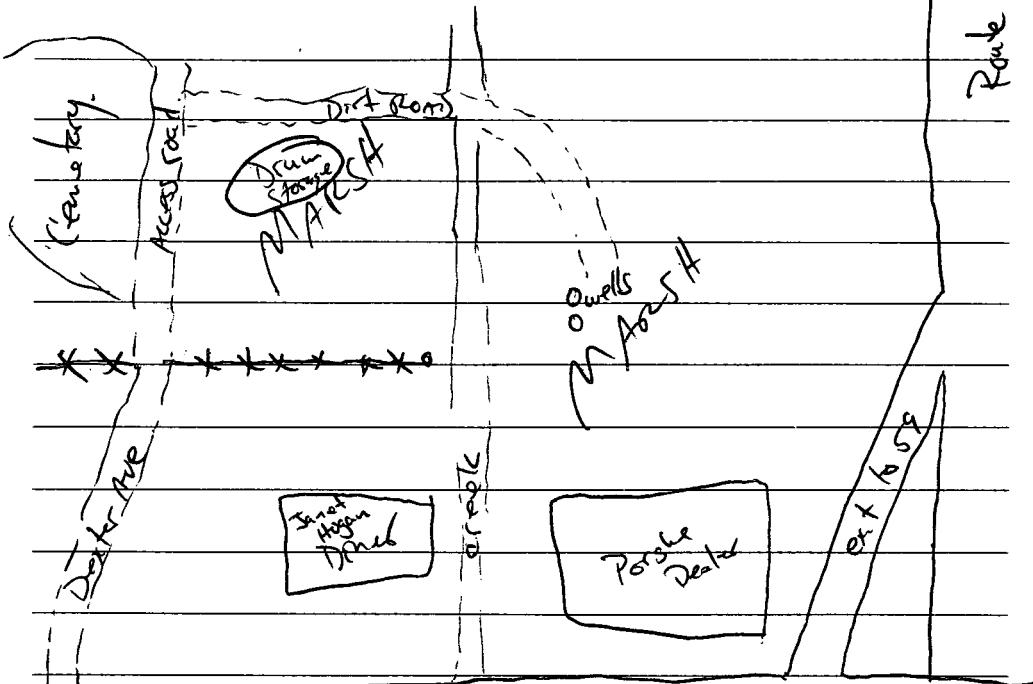
west NARAK SITE

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Throwway



Route 303



Route 59  
Stop 5/8/86

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130 NUS Personnel arrive at site. Access to the site is from Route 45 through a parkside. Road goes directly to the incinerator. The garage area of the incinerator is still active. No fence around the site. Gate at entrance. Unable to recon. fill area because it is elevated from our point of observation.

Fill area is very mounded, and does not appear to have been graded at any time. Vegetation on the fill ~~is~~ consists of grasses. Scattered refuse, appliances and concrete sewer piping is visible. Small intermittent drainage stream runs from fill area along access road. Access road runs in a southerly direction towards the incinerator. The area directly west of access road has been graded recently. Landfill activity took place north of incinerator.

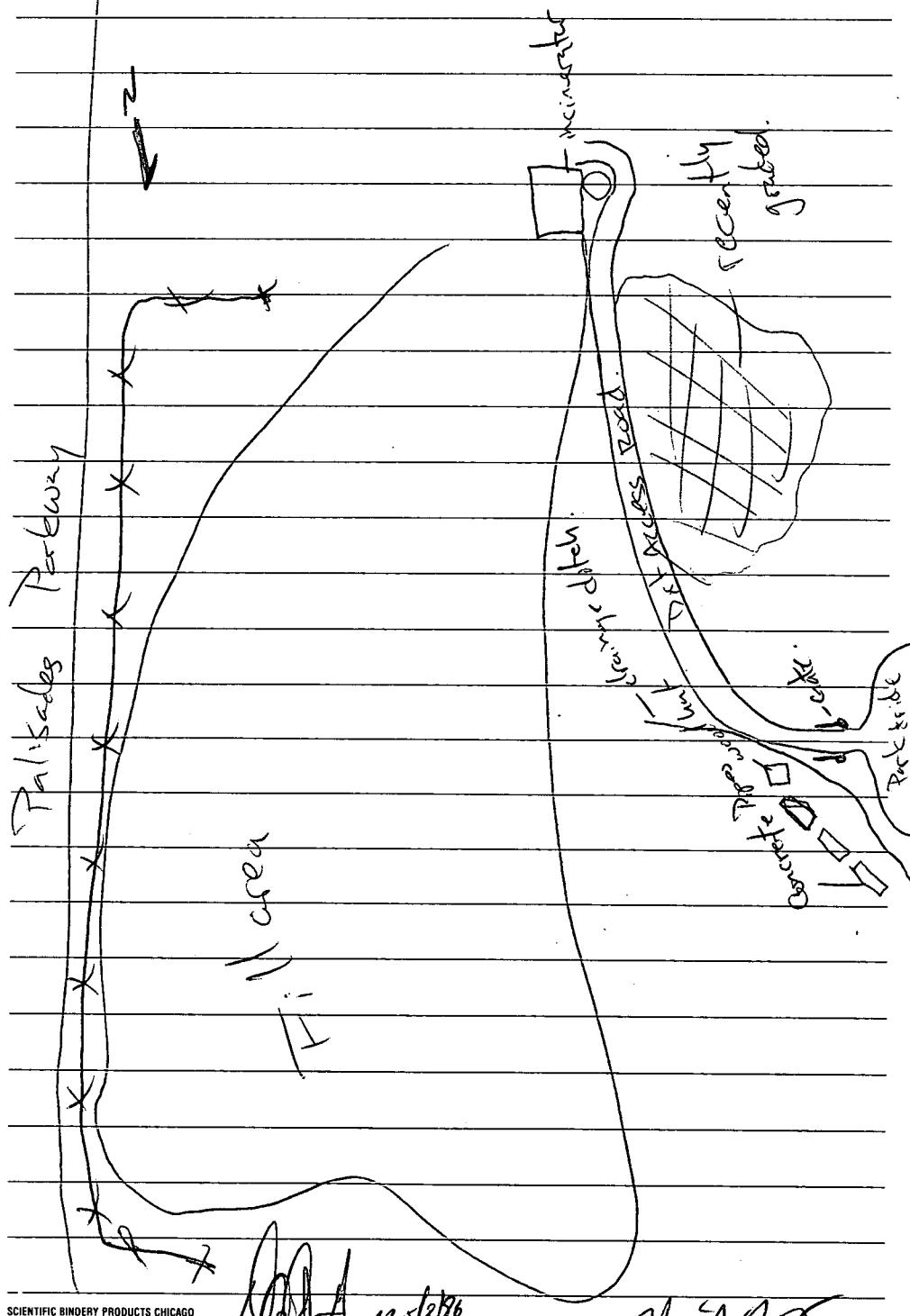
130 Tried to view site from Palisades Parkway but were unable to. There is a fence around the fill area on the Parkway side.

215 Leaving site area going to Midland Processing site.

~~100 ft~~ approx 1/12/86

Third 98 5/12/86

## RAMAPO Incinerator



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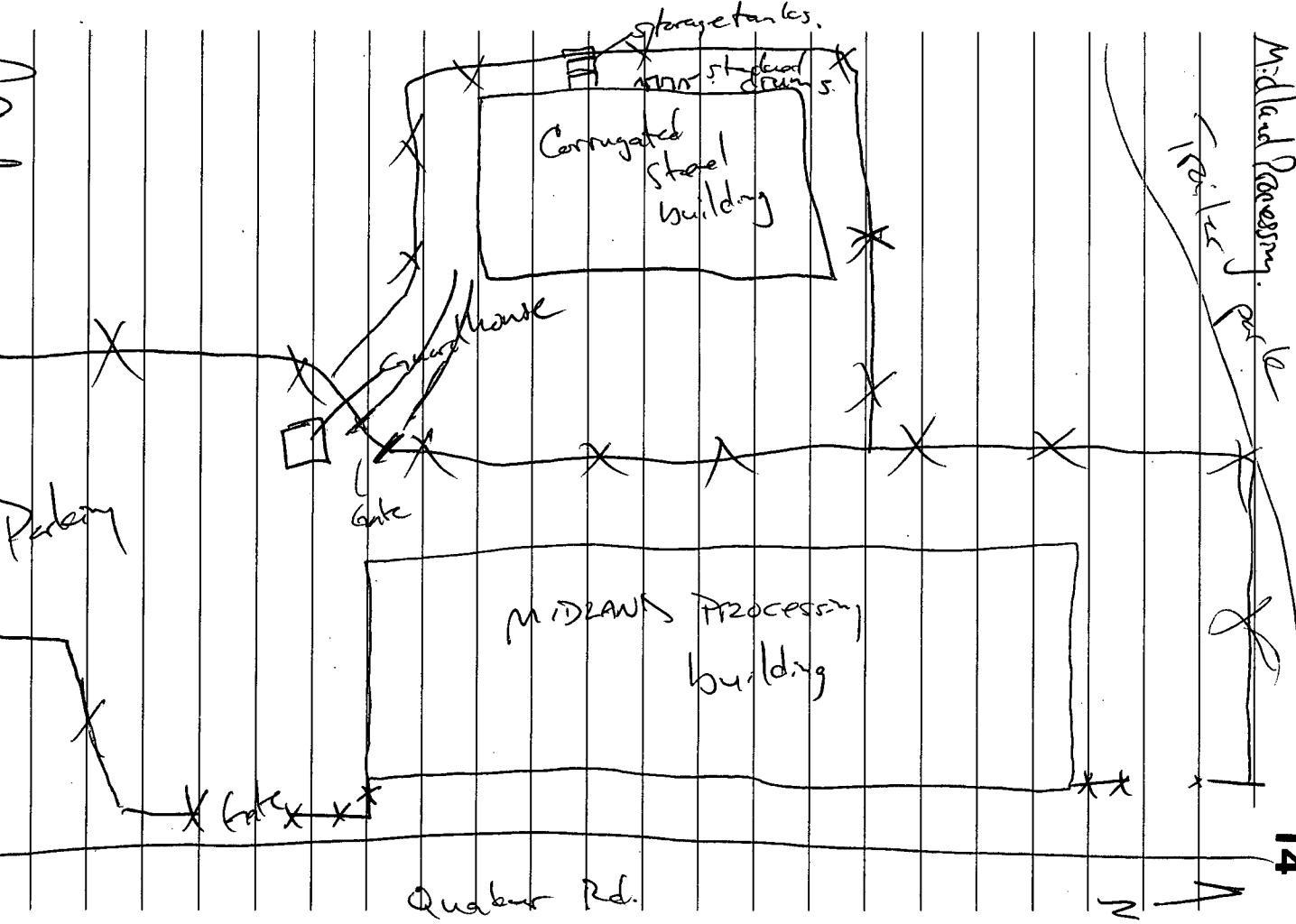
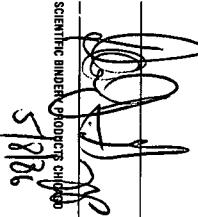
245 Arrive at Midland Processing Site.

There was no name on the building.

I had to ask one of the residents in the area who was walking by if it was Midland Processing. She said it was at one time but did not know what it was now. Site is located at corner of Quaker Rd. & Palisades

Parkway adjacent to Rt. 202. Site consists of a building which appears to be mostly vacant and an asphalt paved parking lot. The building takes up most of the site. Entire property may be ~~so~~ ① 5 acres in size. Site is on a hill overlooking a trailer park. The site is fenced but gates are open with no security. Some activity most likely warehouse of some sort is taking place. Three cars were noted on site along with a truck in the loading dock area. Unless illegal dumping has taken place in-side the building, there does not appear to be any illegal or hazardous waste activities on the outside.

1507 ① We notice a road going from the top



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of the site down a hill to an additional building made of corrugated steel. There appears to be activity in this area but it is difficult to see what is going on down there, there appears to be a couple of above ground storage tanks along the west side of the building along with some drums. The building is fenced and the only access to it appears to be through the property at the top of the road (Quaker Rd.).

1517 We went into trailer park to see if we could see more of the second building. We were able to see storage tanks along with empty drums (15) stacked against the building. Storage tanks<sup>(4)</sup> look like they were dismantled. The plant looks as if it is very vacated. There are no surface water routes from the site.

1521 Leave Midland processing. Going to Haverstraw Landfill.

1345 Arrive at Haverstraw Landfill on Grassy Point Rd. Landfill is active everyday till

3:30 P.M. & open Saturdays. Area of landfill is quite large, it is not completely fenced.

Access is easy particularly in inactive area. Landfill extends to Grassy Point Rd on the east. Landfill is located a couple hundred yards west of the Hudson river. Three residential houses about the property off the inactive

landfill. A larger residential area is south and east of the site. Waste appears to be scattered wastes

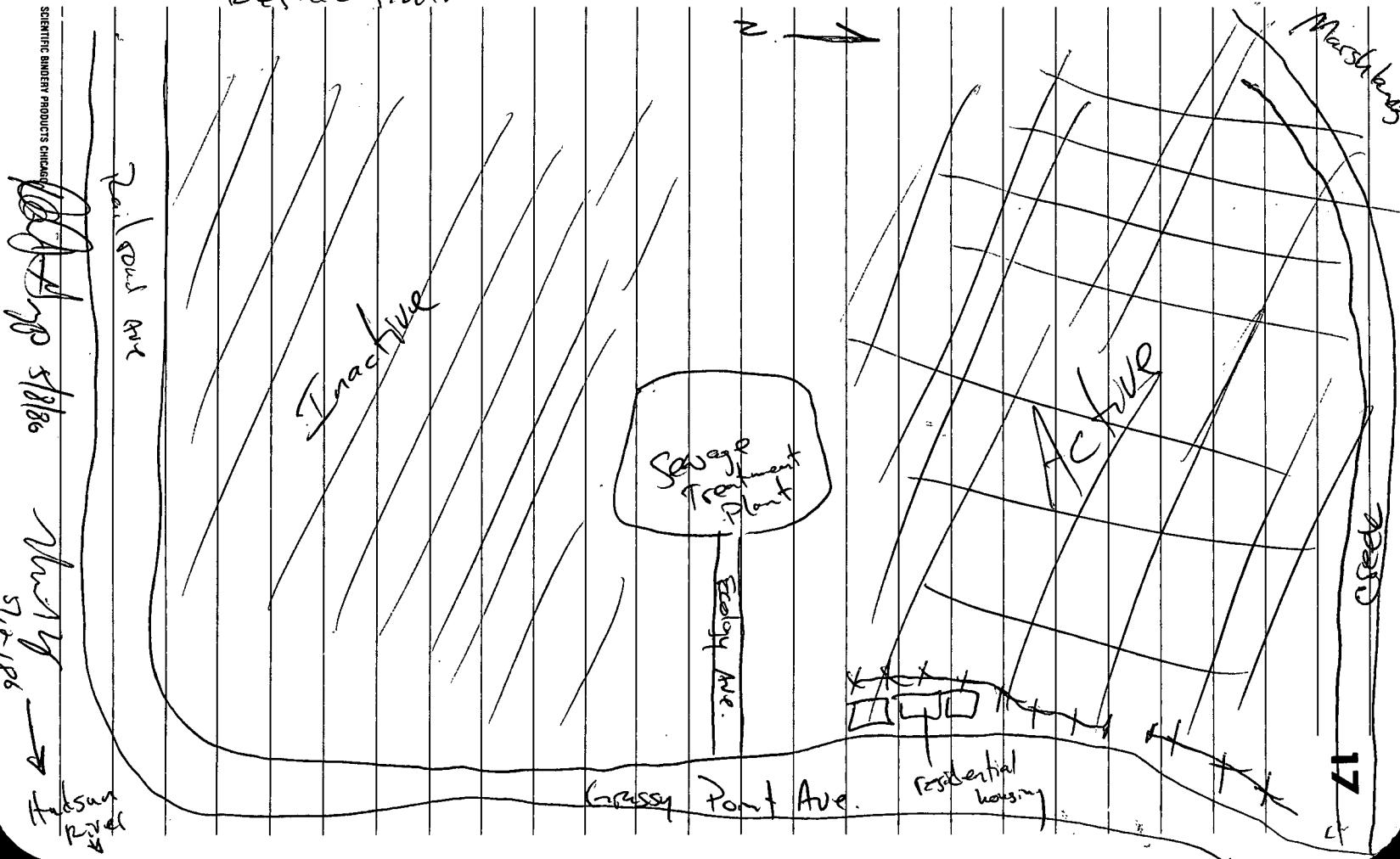
1410 People observed picking through debris on the landfill.

1421 From Railroad Ave. going north Landfill area is as follows - Inactive portion, sewage treatment plant (Ecology Ave) Active portion.

1430 Left Haverstraw Landfill site.

Directions - Route 202 <sup>(north)</sup> to Railroad Ave make right Railroad Ave. go <sup>(left)</sup>

Rd. goes into Grassy point Rd.



Photolog

Ramapo Land Co.

#1 Looking North from Torne Valley Rd.

#2 Site looking west from Torne Valley Rd.  
into area of most recent activity.

#3 Site looking Southwest towards on site  
building. from Torne Valley Rd.

#4 Site looking Northwest towards  
upper portion of the site.

#5 Looking north (upstream) on Ramapo  
River just South of site at opening  
to river from Torne Valley Rd.

West Nyack site.

#6 Looking south west from exit 12 South

#7 Looking west from exit 12.

#8 " " " "

#9 Looking west from Route 303

#10 Looking east from parking lot behind dinner

#11 Looking North east " " " "

#12 Looking Northeast from entrance to property  
on Baxter Ave

## Ramago Incinerator Site

#14 Looking from park side in south easterly direction towards fill area.

#15 Looking South from access road towards the incinerator.

#16 looking east from access road near the gate towards fill area

#17 looking up from base of landfill area - towards the east

## Midland Processing

#18 North side of building. <sup>North</sup> Entrance gate to property.

#19,20,21 Pictures of site looking north east and south east

#22 Midland Processing from Route 202 looking North

#23 Second Midland Processing building taken from trailer park to the north, shows tanks & drums

#24,25,26,27 Haverstraw Landfill looking northwest  
from Grassy Point Rd.

#28,29,30 Haverstraw Landfill looking north from  
Railroad ave.

#31 Creek on north border of landfill.